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REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are responsive to the August 29, 2006 Office Action. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Response to Rejection of Claims 1-10 and 14-52 Under 35 U.S.C. 101

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-10 and 14-52 under 35 U.S.C. 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicants have canceled rejected Claims 1-10 and 14-52 in order to expedite allowance of Claims 11-13.

Response to Rejection of Claims 1 and 8 Under 35 U.S.C. 102(b)

The Examiner rejected Claims 1 and 8 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wu et al. (Mechatronics Vol. 5).

Applicants have canceled rejected Claims 1 and 8 in order to expedite allowance of Claims 11-13.

Response to Rejection of Claims 2, 6 and 10 Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Examiner rejected Claims 2, 6 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wu et al. (Mechatronics Vol. 5) in view of Ulyanov et al. (U.S. Publication 2004/0030420).

Applicants have canceled rejected Claims 2, 6 and 10 in order to expedite allowance of Claims 11-13.

Response to Rejection of Claims 3 and 4 Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Examiner rejected Claims 3 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wu et al. (Mechatronics Vol. 5) in view of Supino (U.S. Patent 6,490,237).

Applicants have canceled rejected Claims 3 and 4 in order to expedite allowance of Claims 11-13.

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Summary

Claims 11-13 stand allowed. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to issue a Notice of Allowance for Claims 11-13. If there are any remaining issues that can be resolved by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (949) 721-6305 or at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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